

n of the committee. The quantities re using, the precautions they're taking mean chances are minuscule that public safety would be at risk."

is Dunn, a Dugway official, said that one tries to steal a chemical agent and es to halt, "we shoot you."

ir McBride, safety officer, said base ers have the right and responsibility port and halt unsafe actions.

tion Command in Aberdeen, Md., which says the shutdown would save \$6 million a year.

The proposal provoked little off-base outcry, but has gained in urgency. While closure wouldn't occur until October 1996, the final decision is just months away.

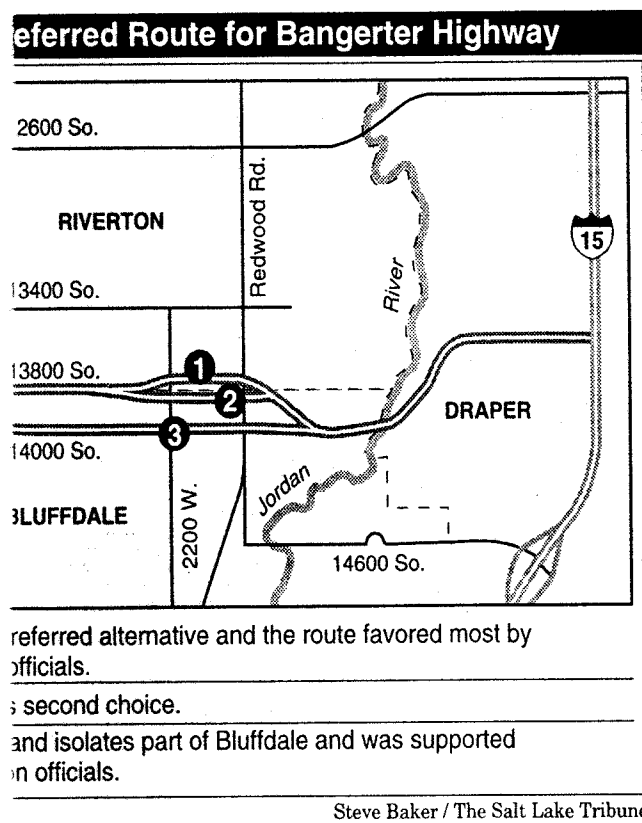
Rep. Jim Hansen met with Dugway officials shortly after the proposal surfaced and urged colleagues to do the same. He

hundred employees who now make the town function would be out of work.

The of infrastructure has other implications, as University of Utah physics professor Eugene Loh will attest.

The U. with several other universities has invested millions of dollars in a project called Fly's Eye, which tracks and studies cosmic rays using mirrors and other equipment located on the base.

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Kennecott Cleanup Site Will Be Stop on EPA Boss's Utah Tour

State Officials, Lawmakers Hope to Convince Him to Keep It Off Superfund List

By Mike Gorrell
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William Yellowtail, administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's region that includes Utah, will tour several existing and potential Superfund sites in the Salt Lake Valley today.

Yellowtail's visit is an outgrowth of a February meeting in which Utah's congressional delegation tried to persuade him and EPA director Carol Browner not to designate two sections of Kennecott property as Superfund sites. At that time, the delegation encouraged EPA officials to take a firsthand look at the \$85 million cleanup program already initiated by the copper company.

Kennecott will be the first stop on Yellowtail's daylong tour. He will see work done to remove hazardous-waste materials from Bingham Creek, Bingham Reservoir, Butterfield Canyon and a tailings pile near the now defunct town of Lark.

Yellowtail and his staff will be accompanied by company representatives, Utah Reps. Karen Shepherd and Bill Orton and staff members for Republican Sens. Orrin Hatch and Bob Bennett.

"The purpose of this tour is to show the EPA firsthand Kennecott's enormous effort at voluntary cleanup," Orton said. "EPA and Kennecott agree these sites

require cleanup. I believe Kennecott is doing a better job, at no cost to taxpayers, than would the federal government."

A Superfund designation makes the area eligible for federal financial aid in the cleanup and enhances EPA's authority to assure mitigation work complies with federal standards. Kennecott opposes the listing, contending it would slow the cleanup, make it more expensive and taint the company's reputation.

Kennecott, EPA and Utah Department of Environmental Quality officials had tried to forge an agreement that would allow Kennecott to control the cleanup project, but negotiations broke down last fall. In January, the EPA announced it was nominating Kennecott operations on the north and south ends of the Oquirrh Mountains for inclusion on the Superfund list.

Along with Kennecott, EPA also nominated an old Murray smelter site near 5300 S. State. Yellowtail is scheduled to visit that site today after meeting in Shepherd's office with Murray Mayor Lynn Pett. He later will meet with several other valley mayors, county commissioners and several legislators.

He also will tour the Sharon Steel Superfund site in Midvale. EPA has approved a \$52 million plan to put a cap on the 10 million tons of tailings that cover 268 acres near the Jordan River. The state has protested that decision and is looking for alternate disposal sites, but would have to pay for additional costs related to off-site disposal.

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— This city of a round in its duel — a relative giant — will be routed. Department of Transportation transfers the so-called "segment" that takes road east from 3900 boundary between 13800 South. The 24 Riverton homes Bluffdale homes. Residents wanted the Interstate 15 to run 3000 South, isolating section of Bluffdale of the city. Or, at it on Bluffdale's ad.

"And it is not over yet," pledged Riverton Mayor Sandra Lloyd. "I'm totally opposed to it. When I spoke to the issue I made it clear that when UDOT made its decision, it should be with two uppermost considerations: the least overall impact, peoplewise, and the one most economically feasible. Their chosen proposed route is opposed to both of those suggestions."

She will urge Riverton residents to lobby legislators and UDOT with a barrage of phone calls and personal visits.

Predictably, Bluffdale Mayor Lee Wanlass was pleased with UDOT's choice.

"It's real good with us," said Wanlass. "However, this is their [UDOT's] preferred alternative but it's not their final decision. That comes after a public hearing in mid-September."

UDOT's final decision is expected in mid-October.

Death Stalks Hogle Zoo Again, Sea Lion Dies

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Death has struck again at Hogle Zoo, this time claiming Bartley, a 3-year-old sea lion whose body was found early Wednesday by a zoo keeper.

The death came nine days after that of a 4-year-old orangutan.

lost a giraffe, a polar bear, five capuchin monkeys and two gazelles. And last week, 4-year-old J.J., a playful orangutan, accidentally strangled himself with a climbing rope.

"The number of animal deaths in recent months are unusual, and certainly with the deaths of these

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